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MESSAGE:

Please file the attached Amendment H in the referenced matter.

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application.

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Total Claims	11	MINUS	20	0	x 25 =	x 50 = \$-0-
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month extension(s) of time to respond to the П Applicant(s) hereby petition for a ____ aforementioned Office Action. Applicant(s) believe that no (additional) Extension of Time is required; however, if it is X determined that such an extension is required, Applicant(s) hereby petition that such an extension be granted and authorize the Commissioner to charge the required fees for an Extension of Time under 37 CFR 1.136 to Deposit Account No. 12-2252 (Order No. 01-569). Enclosed is our Check No. ____ in the amount of \$____ to cover the additional П claim fee and/or extension of time fees. Please charge the required fees, or any additional fees required to facilitate filing the 冈 enclosed response, to Deposit Account No. 12-2252 (Order No. 01-569).

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated January 13, 2006, please consider the following:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.